

Appl. No.09/777,320
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

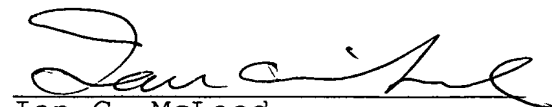
Claims 1, 4, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 22, 24, 28, 40-44, 56 and 109 are pending. Claims 2, 3, 7-12, 23, 25, 26, 27, 32-35, 45-55, 66-70, 110, and 111 have been cancelled. Claims 5, 6, 15-17, 29-31, 36-39, 57-65, and 71-108 are withdrawn. No claims are allowed.

All of the claims have been limited to the water soluble organic silanes which are the subject matter of the allowable elected invention. The claims exclude the organo silanes of the Tseng et al reference. It would not be obvious to use the water soluble silanes in the present compositions and method. Reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

Applicants will file a Terminal Disclaimer over Applicants' U.S. patent No. 6,235,682 upon allowance of the present application. The present claims are generic to the claims of the patent.

It is now believed that the Claims are patentable over the prior art. Notice of Allowance is requested.

Respectfully,



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